

Summer Reading 101

Build a Better World
2017



2017 Summer Reading Program

Theme: Creating, Repurposing, and Building

One slogan

Build a Better World



Homer Public Library, 2016



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<http://www.alaskanative.net>



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Summer Learning Loss

What it is & Why it matters

The Need: Why Summers Matter

For the more than 25 million low-income public school students in America, summer is often anything but a vacation. Instead of a relaxing break to explore new interests and places, it's often a time when children, youth and families struggle to find and afford food to eat and a safe place to be.

Summer learning loss, the phenomenon where young people lose academic skills over the summer, is one of the most significant causes of the achievement gap between lower and higher income youth and one of the strongest contributors to the high school dropout rate. For many young people, the summer "opportunity gap" contributes to gaps in achievement, employment, and college and career success.



Every summer, low-income youth lose two to three months in reading while their higher-income peers make eight gains. Most youth lose about two months of math skills in the summer.



Three reading and math losses add up. By 8th grade, summer learning loss has meant low-income students 2 1/2 to 3 years behind their peers.



Research shows that while gaps in student achievement remain relatively constant during the school year, the gap widens significantly during the summer.



Low-income youth have access to healthy meals over the summer. So, out of every seven students who receive free and reduced-price lunches, five access it (one when school lets out).



Food Bank of Alaska Summer Food Program

<http://www.foodbankofalaska.org/programs/federal-programs>

National Summer Learning Association
<http://www.summerlearning.org/>



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2016 National Summer Learning Day Map

<http://www.summerlearning.org/summer-learning-day/>



Alaska Summer Reading Program Combatting summer learning loss



<http://www.cslnreads.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/CSLP-Summer-Reading-White-Paper-2015.pdf>



“Research on summer reading has identified that access to reading material and the volume of reading (e.g., more reading over the summer leads to better outcomes) is vital for improving reading achievement and preventing summer learning loss.”

CSLP Summer Reading White Paper, page 27





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Alaska Content Standards
Alaska School Librarian Handbook
E-Rate for Libraries & Schools
Information Empowered
New School Librarian Toolkit
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GRANTS

Grants for Libraries: Federal & State
Alaska Online With Libraries
Alaska Laws and Regulations
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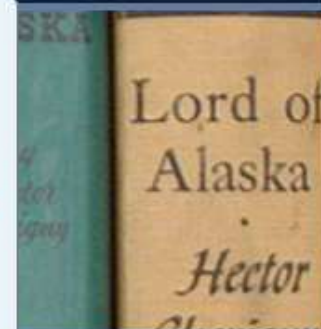
Alaska Association of School Libraries
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Alaska Library Network (ALN)
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Cataloging & Interlibrary Loan
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LIBRARY RESOURCES

Alaska Statistics Index
Alaskana for Libraries: A Core List of Books (PDF)
Alaskana for Youth 2000-2010
NoveList
Professional Book Collection
SLED
Some Books About Alaska, 1994-2000

OTHER RESOURCES

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Conservation Book Repair: A Training Manual
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Each summer, public libraries in Alaska host summer reading programs designed to promote, encourage and support literacy; while also keeping students reading. These summer reading programs recognize that students need to practice reading if they are going to mitigate and reverse the summer slide. Additionally, these summer reading programs have a positive effect on family literacy, as students involved in summer reading model positive reading behavior. To support Summer Reading, the Alaska State Library is a member of the [Collaborative Summer Library Program \(CSLP\)](#).

At the conclusion of the summer reading program, librarians complete and submit their summer reading program report and evaluation. The information from these reports help us plan and support future summer reading programs and meet our federal grant requirements.

2017 Library Participation Form

If your library would like to participate or continue participating in the Alaska Summer Reading Program, please complete our Library Participation Form by **November 30, 2016**.

[Participation Form](#)

[Note: You must enable JavaScript to fill out our form online.]



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Kwame Alexander



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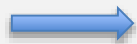


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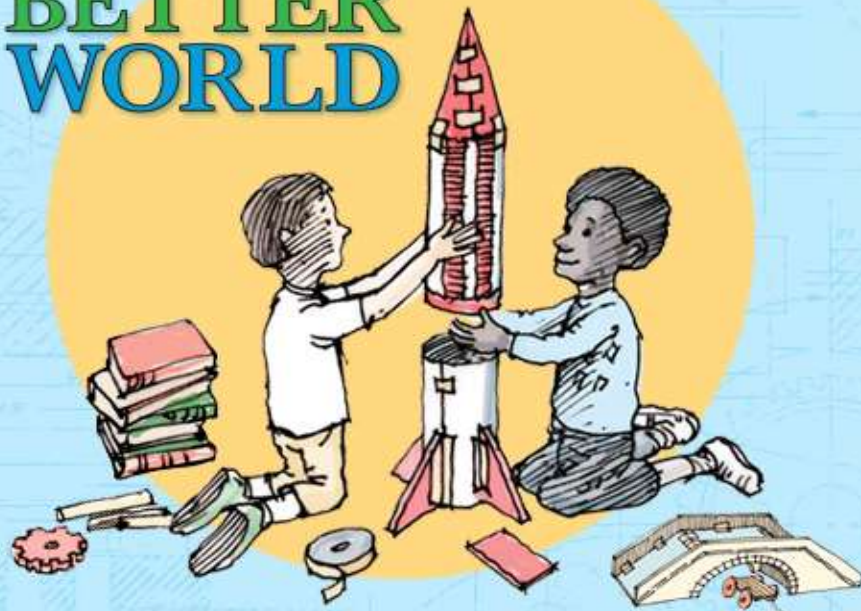


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Planning Your Summer Reading Program

January-March- Set program goals, Develop Program Outline, Line up guest performers and begin contacting local schools and scheduling visits

April-All of the details of your summer reading program should be set, begin distributing fliers and sharing information with local businesses or organizations that may want to sponsor your program

May-Time to visit schools, child care centers and sharing information with the public



Evaluation of Your Program



Project Outcome has a Summer Reading Survey which your library may adapt for use

<https://www.projectoutcome.org/>

